

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 7 25 FUNSTON ROAD KANSAS CITY, KANSAS 66115

November 30, 1993

Mr. Eric Klipsch

St. Louis Development Corporation

330 North 15th Street

St. Louis, Missouri 63103

Dear Mr. Klipsch:

This letter is in response to our recent conversations concerning site conditions at the portion of the Carter Carburetor Site owned by the Land Reutilization Authority (LRA). As we discussed, LRA should take the voluntary actions identified below to limit the potential exposure to hazardous substances to people entering the property, or the area surrounding the property.

Initial field screening results show the two drums located under the elevated transformer platform on the northeast side of the property may contain high levels of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). PCBs are listed as hazardous substances under 40 CFR Section 302.4. These drums are outside of the building, have no secure lid and are located approximately 25 feet from a sidewalk and bus stop. A fence separates the drums from the sidewalk; however, there is a possibility of human exposure and the potential to spread contamination from a spill. The material in the drums needs to be secured and identified with warning labels until appropriately disposed. This work should be done by a qualified contractor with experience in handling hazardous substances.

The two large transformers located on site (one on the elevated platform near the two drums and the other located near the adjoining property owned by Carter Building, Inc.) should be inspected for oil. If present, the oil should be containerized and disposed. There are also drums located just to the west of the elevated transformer. These drums should be inspected for PCB-contaminated oil (and other hazardous materials) and disposed appropriately.

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The perimeter fence on the north side of the property (Dodier Street) is not secure. Persons could enter through this fence and potentially be exposed to areas of PCB contamination. This fence should be secured as soon as possible.

Warning placards should be placed around the perimeter to warn of the hazardous materials (PCBs) located on the site. It is important to maintain security at the site; therefore, all doors and gates should be locked and the property checked on a regular basis.

If you have any questions or comments, you may call me at (913) 551-5028.

Sincerely

Don Hamera

On-Scene Coordinator

Emergency Planning and Response

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